

# The Daily Courant.

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The following Relation was communicated to us, with a desire to insert it in this Paper.

## B R I M I N G H A M.

THE Spirit of Prophecy which came from the Cevennes in France, and has made such a Noise at London, hath diffus'd it self in this Place, among a few who go under the Name of Antinomians, People that separate themselves from the Church and all Dissenters; Some of them are reckon'd well-meaning People, but All of weak Understandings, Mislead chiefly by one Burbury, a Fellow endu'd with all the Impudence, Pride and Ignorance that a Factious Man can have.

The Rumour of the Prophets at London reaching this Place, it wonderfully Tickl'd these Peoples Fancies: Whereupon Jonathan Taylor, a Cabinet-maker, and one of a Disposition apt enough to receive Impressions, going to London, attended the Prophets in Private, and at their Publick Meetings.

And being return'd, gave a very favourable Account of them to the rest of his Brethren: In their Prefence he had some Agitations, but this not being thought enough, unless he had his Mouth Open'd, (as they speak) he, with two or three more, undertakes a Second Journey to London, where, being upon their Knees, they were Blessed by the Prophets, and were Promis'd the Spirit, and that their Mouths should be Open'd in a very little time, which accordingly fell out; for they were not long come Home, before they fell into Agitations, and pronounc'd their Inspirations as if God himself spoke by them. The Number of those that gave any Credit to them did not exceed Twenty, and those all of the above-mention'd Whimsical People.

Some Meetings they had, and several Inspirations, wherein they deliver'd nothing but what was conform to the apprehensions that we may conceive Illiterate People have of things. To some things that was ask'd them they could give no Answer, which those of better Capacity could easily have done: To some things they Answer'd in their Agitations according to the wrong Conception they had of the Inquirer's Meaning, and to other things absurdly; but we shall content our selves barely to relate Matter of Fact which may be prov'd by Hundreds here. On Wednesday the 28th of January, 1708. Jonathan Taylor, in his Agitations, declar'd, That Mr. Lacy, the Eminent Prophet at London, was Dead, which he own'd afterwards to many, and said, we should have it in the News on Saturday following; Saturday came, all the News-papers in Town were consulted, but not a word of Mr. Lacy, Dead or Alive; When this was told him, he said, he wonder'd at it, but still affirm'd, That Mr. Lacy was dead, and that we should soon hear of it; but we judge Mr. Lacy may be still alive, having heard nothing to the contrary.

But the most Remarkable of all their Inspirations, is that which Prophecy'd the death of Stephen Halford, a Cutler, a Young Man that was Bless'd with Taylor by the London-Prophets; It was in the following Manner. At a Meeting of these People, Jonathan Taylor stands up, and in his Agitations spoke the following Sentence; *I shall be Glorify'd by one in the Room.* And after sometime Silence, Stephen Halford falls into Agitations, and spoke thus.

'I am he, Lord, thy Will be done, thou shalt know when I will Raise thy Body, I will Reveal to my Children by thy own Mouth, thou shalt die the next time you do Meet together here; and thou shalt be carry'd by thy Brethren, and thou shalt have a Coffin, and be Buried in the Church-yard; and you shall Meet the 3d Day of February next and not before, in this Place, and then shall be the time that I will receive thee to my self: Fear not, my Child, for I will greatly manifest my Self

to thy Soul: And I will take thee away Rejoycing: Your Enemies will rejoyce, and let them know of it: And thou shalt Arise the 20th Day of February; and thy Brethren shall be there by Ten of the Clock in the Morning, and be there till Twelve; you shall all appear there, and shall see my Power, and my Glory: You shall not meddle with the Ground; thou shalt be Interr'd for Seventeen Days, and then I will Raise him again, according as I have said by his own Mouth.

The News of this soon spread over the Town; they acknowledg'd they had had such an Inspiration, and gave Copies of it (as above) from what was writ by some of their own number present, during the time it was pronounc'd, Taylor, Halford, and all that believ'd in them, appear'd fully perswaded that the Event would answer the Prediction; and that God was pleas'd to work that Miracle to prove, That their Inspirations were of Him: They were willing the People should think them Deluded, and that they themselves should think so too, if Halford did not Die, and Rise again, conform to the Inspiration: Every body was very well pleas'd that things was to be brought to so fair a Tryal in so short a time. Halford did in the mean time, as a dying Man ought to do, paid his Debts, took leave of his Acquaintance and went some Miles out of Town to bid his Father farewell, where they had some design of keeping him till Tuesday the 3d of February should be over; but finding him resolute on returning, and in an Agitation he had there, having said thus, *If you let not my Servants go* (meaning himself) *I will tear him to pieces,* they left him to his Liberty; so on Saturday the 31st of January, he came back to Birmingham, and the Case being put to him, *If they had kept him in the Country by force, what would have come of Prophecy?* He answer'd, *Had they ty'd him with Chains he would have been convey'd to the place appointed, by an irresistible force.*

On Monday, the 2d of February, there was reason to fear, That the Mob would have gather'd and prov'd Mischievous to the Prophets and others; whereupon the Constables had a Warrant to secure Halford, which they did that Night, and the next Morning for the same Reason; The rest of these People being met together as their Inspiration had appointed, were Dispers'd and Conducted by the Constables to their respective Homes. However Jonathan Taylor had the Assurance to tell the Constable, That Halford must of necessity die that Day, or the Constable who had dispers'd the Meeting should certainly be struck Dead. Halford had abundance of Visitors that Day, and seem'd to think he should be releas'd, and carry'd to the Place appointed for his Dying, and seem'd still perswaded that he should die about Ten a Clock that Night, continuing to till the time was past, when finding himself in good health, without any symptom of approaching Death, he own'd before as many as the House could hold, That he took all that had pass'd to be a meer Delusion. Taylor being inform'd of what had pass'd, ingeniously did the same; and it's to be hop'd no body will think them Prophets now, when they themselves disown it.

This Concludes not only against the Prophets here, but also against those at London, by whom they were Bless'd: But if the Prophets at London think that the Prophets here were driven too fast, and will not be convinc'd by what has happen'd, we make no doubt but the Prophecie which they themselves have made about Mr. Emmes's Resurrection will be answer'd by the like cross Event, which we hope will convince them of their Delusion as those here are.

Plymouth, Feb. 29. This Evening the Transport-Vessel, Capt. Joseph Marlow Commander, sail'd for St. Malo with 257 Prisoners on board.



*Deale, March 3.* Her Majesty's Ship the *Nightingale* continues in the *Downes*; and Yesterday in the Afternoon came in here from before Dunkirk the 4 Flags with 19 Sail of her Majesty's Ships. Eight or 9 Sail being sent a Cruising. Particulars I shall send in my next. This Morning came down her Majesty's Ships *Shrewsbury* and *St. Albans*.

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Yesterday 2 Mails arriv'd from Ireland. Letters from Dublin of the 25th of February say, that the Sunday before arriv'd at Kinsale the King William Packet-Boat from the West-Indies, the Captain of which died after his Departure from Jamaica. She has aboard 60000 Pieces of Eight, besides a Quantity of Indigo. She brings an Account that there were 18 Sail of French Men of War at the Island of Cuba, which had put the Jamaicans into some Apprehension: But that when she came away there were 10 British Men of War come into Jamaica; upon which the Inhabitants reckon'd themselves safe. The Margate Man of War is lost in the West Indies.

Wednesday in the Morning Sir John Leake with the Fleet under his Command sail'd from Spithead with a fair Wind at East.

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On Wednesday Night late arriv'd an Express from Ostend, with Letters giving an Account, That the pretended Prince of Wales had actually been on board the Squadron at Dunkirk design'd as is suppos'd for Scotland, but was return'd ashore again, designing to embark and sail the 8th of this Month, with the said Squadron and Transports having on board 12 Battalions of French and 3 of Irish. That the Duke of Berwick was expected Daily at Dunkirk: And that a considerable Number of our Troops were drawing to Ostend to embark for England. 'Tis said that at Parting with the pretended Prince of Wales, the French King said, *I wish you Success, and hope never to see you again.*

The Earl Rivers is made General and Commander in Chief, and Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, in Spain.

By her Majesty's Company of Comedians.

**A**T the Theatre Royal in Drury-Lane, to Morrow being Saturday, the 6th of March, will be Reviv'd a Comedy call'd, *She Would if she Cou'd*. The part of Sir Oliver Cockwood by Mr. Dogger, Sir Joslin Jolley by Mr. Estcourt, Courtall by Mr. Wilks, Freeman by Mr. Mills, Lady Cockwood by Mrs. Barry, Ariana by Mrs. Rogers, Gatty by Mrs. Crofts. And all the other Parts to the best Advantage.

Never perform'd but thrice.

**A**T the Queen's Theatre in the Hay-Market, to Morrow being Saturday, the 6th of March, will be presented a new Opera call'd, *Love's Triumph*. The Dances, Chorus's, and other Entertainments being properly introduc'd as on Foreign Stages. Boxes 8 s. Pit 5 s. First Gallery 3 s. Upper Gallery 1 s. 6 d. Stage Boxes half a Guinea. And by Order hence-forward to begin precisely at 6 a Clock. No Person to stand upon the Stage.

**A**N Entertainment by Mr. CLINCH of BARNET, who imitates the Flute, Double Curtell, the Organ with 3 Voices, the Horn, Huntsman and Pack of Hounds, the Sham Doctor, the Old Woman, the Drunken Man, the Bells, &c. All Instruments are perform'd by his natural Voice. To be seen this present Evening at 7 a Clock at the Swan Tavern on Fish-street-Hill. Price 1 s.

Lost on Wednesday the 3d Instant, between 12 and 1 a Clock, a Silver Snuff Box gilt with Gold, the Top and Bottom Enamell'd, the Bottom with Blue, and a little Black and White Flower in the middle and Crowfoot round, and the Top with 2 Women in several Colours, and one with a Pen in her Hand. If any one offers to Pawn or Sell the said Box, pray stop it, and give notice to Mr. Tho. Jack at Coale's Coffee-house in Burchin-Lane, and they shall have a Guinea's Reward, the Person supposing they drop it coming out of Church.

The Mermaid Tavern at Oxford is to be Let or Sold, with the University and City Licence. Enquire at Mr. Burnham's at the Rackie-Court, or at Mr. Saunders's in Swan Court in Oxford, and at the Bull's-head in Finch Lane Cornhill, or at Madam Diodate's at No. 9. in Maneck-street Goodman's-Fields, London.

An Old well-acquittom'd Coffee-house in the out Parts, in a Creditable Place, to be Let, with part of the Goods to be Sold, the Person that keeps it having got other Business. Enquire at the Printers of this Paper.

**A** very IMPROVEABLE Estate at WOOLWICH in Kent, of about 1200 l. per Annum, consisting of Land, Ground-Rents, Houses, &c. (part of which Land abuts upon her Majesty's Dock-yard and Rope-yard there, and is convenient for enlargement thereof, if thought fit,) will be Sold either together or in Parcels. Particulars thereof may be had at Mr. Richard Swift's at the Physician's College in Warwick-Lane, London.

A Coffee-House near the Exchange, to be Let, with the Utensils to be Sold. Enquire of the Printer of this Paper.

A good House at Edmonton, late Sergeant Mundy's, to be Let, with several Gardens and an Orchard planted with good Fruit, Barn, Stables, Coach-houses, Brew-house, and other Conveniences, and 2 Fields adjoining, all well Water'd. Enquire of Mr. Myer at Will's Coffee-house near the Royal Exchange any Day about 2 of the Clock. Or the same with other Lands are to be Sold.

To be Let in Red-Cross-street in the Park, Southward, a good Dwelling-House, with very large Warehouses, Brew-house, Stabling and other Conveniences, fitting for a large Family; also a large Plat of Ground and Garden: The said House is fit for a Brewer, Distiller, Vinegar-work, and other large Concerns. Enquire at the said House.

At Tanners-End at Edmonton is a very Convenient House to be Let, with a Close, and an Orchard well planted with Fruit, together with a large Barn and Stable, the House is Pleasantly situated on the side of a large Corn-field. Enquire of Mrs. Selby at the Golden Bull over-against the Stocks-Market, or at the said House.

This Day, being the 5th of March, will continue to be Sold by Auction, at Exeter Exchange in the Strand, the remainder of a Collection of Books of a Merchant deceased, as also the Library of another Person, among which are great variety of excellent Books in most Faculties, many of them Illustrated with Sculptures and neatly Bound, some of them in Turkey Leather, gilt and letter'd on the back, and in the large Paper. As also a Collection of Paintings, Prints, and Drawings, by the most Eminent Masters. Catalogues may be had at the Place of Sale, where the Books, Paintings, Prints and Drawings may be view'd.

For SALE by the CANDLE.

On Tuesday the 9th of March, at Lloyd's Coffee-house, at 4 a Clock in the Afternoon, 81 Hhds and 3 Tears of Margouffe, Medoc and Graces Clarets, 6 Pipes 15 half Pipes of true Cogniac Brandy, lately Imported from Scotland, and 4 Buts 1 Ull of Sherry, 2 Buts of Mountain White Wine, and 1 Hhd of French White. The Claret to be seen in a Vault next the Chain on Tower-hill, the Brandies, &c. to be seen in a Vault near the Peacock in Bear-Lane Tower-street, from to Morrow to Tuesday, at the usual Hours. Sold by Sam. Procter and Tho. Stevenson his Assistant.

On Thursday the 11th Instant, at Mr. Hawksbee's in Wine-Office-Court Fleetstreet, will begin a Course of Experiments in order to prove the Weight and Spring of the Air, and to shew the Effects of its Absence on the Lives of Animals, Sound, Flame, &c. With the new Experiments of Light, and Attraction of Bodies: Together with the usual Hydrostatical Experiments Demonstrating the Pressure or Gravitation of Fluids in general. And will be continu'd there every Monday and Thursday following till finish'd, by J. Hodgson and F. Hawksbee. Printed Accounts of the same more at large are given at the Place aforesaid, where Subscriptions are taken in.

The True Golden-Snuff against most Diseases affecting the Brain, Eyes, or Ears, experienc'd for many Years, being in great Use in London and Country, and so generally approv'd that there is no need to enlarge further on its Vertues and Qualities; is now to be had at John's Coffee-house in Swithings-Alley near the Royal Exchange, at Mr. Osborn's at the Rose and Crown under St. Dunstan's Church in Fleetstreet Toyshop, (besides the Places mention'd in this and other News-Papers) Smith's Coffee-house in Silver-street near Bloomsbury-Market, Mr. Adams at the Back gate of Spring-Garden leading into the Park, Toyshop, the new Tavern in Southampton-street Covent-Garden, Mr. Key at the Salmon in Strand-Lane near the May-Pole, and by the Author at the Green Balcony in Durham-yard in the Strand London, at 1 s. a Paper, seal'd up with Directions, (with Allowance for Sale) each Paper having an Elephant stamp'd upon it, with a Latin Inscription round it.

The Princely Perfume. Being a most delightful Powder, which incomparably scents Handkerchiefs, Gloves, and all Sorts of Linnen, making them smell most deliciously odoriferous, fine and charming; it perfumes the Hands, the Hair of the Head, and Perriwigs most delicately, also all Manner of Cloaths, Beds, Rooms, Scrutores, Presses, Drawers Boxes, and all other Things, giving them a most admirable, pleasant and durable Scent, which is so curiously fragrant, so delectably sweet, reviving and enlivening; that no Perfume or Aromatick in the World, can possibly come near it: It never raises the Vapours in Ladies, but by its delicious Odour, Fragrancy and charming Perfume, (which is really superior to all other Scents upon Earth) it refreshes the Memory, cures the Head-ach, takes away Dullness and Melancholy, makes the Heart glad, and increases all the Spirits, Natural, Vital and Animal, to a Wonder. Is sold only at Mr. Allcraft's Toy-shop, at the Blue-coat-boy, against the Royal-Exchange, in Cornhill, at 2 s. 6 d. a Glass, with Directions.

The only Fam'd Imperial Necklaces for Childrens Teeth, which has retriev'd Thousands of Infants from the Jaws of Death, after all Hopes past, in a Nights Time, to the Amazement and Astonishment of all People: They immediately take off all the Symptoms, tho' never so violent, as Fevers, Convulsions, Looseness, Burnings, &c. and that in 2 or 3 Hours Time, beyond any Expectation: They insensibly cause the Teeth to breed so easy, and cut without Pain, as not in the least to Occasion any Disorder thereby, and yet they do it not by Charm or Incantament, but by a renowned Specifick hidden Quality, bearing Influence over those Parts: Being only Sold, to prevent Counterfeits, at Mr. Harris's, at the White-Hair in the Foultry: And at Mrs. Cole's, at the Sign of the Dial and 2 Crowns against St. Dunstan's Church, Fleetstreet, Toy-shops, at 2 s. 6 d. each, with Directions.

Just publish'd,

The History of the Jews from Jesus Christ to this Present time, containing their Antiquity, their Religion, their Rites, the Disposition of the Ten Tribes in the East, and the Persecutions that Nation has suffer'd in the West; being a Supplement and Continuation of the History of Josephus. Written in French by Monsieur Bafnage, Translated into English by Tho. Taylor, A.M. Printed for Tho. Bever and B. Lintot in Fleetstreet, R. Knaplock in St. Paul's Church-yard, J. Sprint in Little Britain, A. Bell and R. Smith in Cornhill, and J. Round in Exchange Alley.

There is now Publish'd,

A New and Correct Map of Europe, divided into its several Estates, Principal Provinces, &c. with many Remarks relating to the Present times which are not extant in any Map: According to the newest and most exact Observations by H. Moll, Geographer, in 2 large Sheets of Elephant Paper. Price 1 s. 6 d. Printed for D. Midwinter at the 3 Crowns in St. Paul's Church-yard, R. Davies at the 3 Ink-Bottles in Castle-Alley the West end of the Royal Exchange, and Sold by them and B. Took at the Middle-Temple-Gate in Fleetstreet. Where also is to be had the New Map of the World in 2 Sheets, wherein the gross Errors of Sanfon are shewn, &c.